

# Quote

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## MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, speaking at Charlotte, N C, in what has been taken as an implied endorsement of Sec'y of the Army Stevens: "We are still confident in our armed forces, from their secretaries and their high commanders on down to the last private in the ranks." . . . [2] Sen ESTES KEEFAUVER (D-Tenn) on Army-McCarthy uproar: "Honest, patriotic men have been burned at philosophical stakes while moral savages dance 'round about in gaudy light before the television cameras." (The Senator, it will be recalled, is not precisely a stranger to the home screen). . . [3] Pres SYNGMAN RHEE, of S Korea: "The time has come to go back to war. To wait longer—to talk, and talk, and talk—is to give Communists time to overtake us militarily." . . . [4] JOHN FOSTER DULLES, U S Sec'y of State, announcing a policy of continued effort to negotiate with communist-bloc countries: "Efforts for honorable peace are required out

### Quotes of the Week

J M HINTON, S Car conf pres, Nat'l Ass'n for Advancement of Colored People, commenting on Supreme Ct segregation decision: "Christianity and democracy have been given a great place in America . . . and communism has lost a talking point." . . . Sen ALLEN J ELLENDER (D-La): "I am, of course, very much disappointed (by Court decision) but I don't want to criticise the Supreme Ct. It is bound to have a very great effect until we re-adjust ourselves to it." . . . Sen JAS O EASTLAND (D-Miss): "The South will not abide by or obey this legislative decision by a political court."

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of a decent respect for the opinion of mankind." . . . [5] G L MEHTA, Indian ambassador to U S: "We want hearts warm enough to end the cold war and heads cool enough to prevent a hot one."

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If an acceptable truce does not result from the Geneva Conference (and by "acceptable" we mean agreement in which France, Britain and U.S. can concert) the next inevitable step would appear to be the formation and implementation of PATO (or Pacific Treaty Organization).

As a matter of pure logic a regional alliance in the Pacific would seem a natural move. Why wasn't this done long ago? It is time to look at some of the more obvious obstacles.

We think 1st of Japan. Certainly a key figure in any contemplation of Asian salvation, and a long-recognized enemy of Russia. But no reminder is needed of Japan's previous behavior. Ideologically, she has proved the bad enemy of our good friends: widely hated and distrusted.

Then there are the Chinese Nationalist forces on Formosa, ready and eager for conflict. But reflect that to our British associates Chiang Kai-shek is, diplomatically speaking, *non est*. Moreover, the Nationalists are not recognized by a majority of the Asian gov'ts.

Finally, there is the puzzle of India, deeply and devoutly dedicated to pacific principles (with a small "p").

Let's pair them off imaginatively, as an object lesson in fantastic incongruity: Syngman Rhee, with Japan's Yoshida; India's Nehru with Chiang Kai-Shek. Could you readily picture a more incompatible foursome?

So how is PATO to function? A start must be made *somewhere*. It probably will be with the Western powers plus Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Thailand, and what may be left of Indo-China.

Beyond that? Well, it will depend on whether the great nations of Asia elect to park in the past, or to realistically face the future.



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Charles Holden, designer



#### AMERICANA—1

Part of being somebody in America consists in being about to turn into somebody else. — LOUIS KRONENBERGER, *Company Manners* (Bobbs-Merrill).

#### ANGER—2

Speak while you are angry and you will make the best speech you will ever regret.—*Horizons*, syndicated by Cambridge Associates.

#### BEHAVIOR—3

When you close your eyes to the devil, be sure that it is not a wink.—Rev JOHN C KULP, *Christian Advocate*.

#### BIBLE—4

The Bible is a window of hope thru which we look into eternity.—*Missionary Tidings*.

#### CHURCH—5

The church is suffering more from the sheepishness of the sheep than from the wolfishness of the wolves.—*Present Truth Messenger*.

#### CITIZENSHIP—6

The three R's for good citizenship — Rights, Relationship, Responsibilities.—MADELAINE M MURPHY, “Democracy in Action,” *Jnl of Education*, 4-'54.

#### COMMON SENSE—7

The fellow who brags about how much sense he has wouldn't be bragging if he had any.—RAY D EVERSON, *Indiana Farmers' Guide*.

#### CONCENTRATION—8

It seems fairly clear that in our time the inability to read prose and poetry of meaning and substance is becoming more and more widespread; and that the faculty of attention in general is undergoing a wholesale displacement away from ideas and abstractions toward things and techniques.—CLIFTON FADIMAN, *Saturday Review*.

#### DEFEAT—9

I do not think Stalin could have licked us; I do not think that whoever now may be running Russia can lick us. But McCarthy and the spirit of McCarthyism could lick us—no doubt without intention, but they could—by getting us to fighting among ourselves like the Romans, by persuading every man that he must keep on looking over his shoulder, to make sure that the man beside him doesn't stab him in the back. There is still enough vitality in Western civilization to save us, unless we insist on disemboweling ourselves. — ELMER DAVIS, *But We Were Born Free* (Bobbs-Merrill Co.).

#### DEMOCRACY—10

Democracy cannot survive where there is such uniformity that everyone wears exactly the same intellectual uniform or point of view.—Bishop FULTON J SHEEN.

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Because of the fall of Dien Bien Phu, Madame Henri Bonnet, wife of the French Ambassador, has called off her elegant ball to raise money for Indo-China relief. Those who paid \$25 for tickets will be received at tea—but she'll still give the planned door prizes, including Dior gowns, furs, French perfume, jewels.

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*Perle Mesta's guest-list for her coming big party includes Army Sec'y Stevens, but excludes Sen McCarthy. . . An elevator operator now calls out Senate Office Bldg's 3rd floor (where Army-McCarthy hearings are under way): "Battle-ground to your right!" . . . Latest addition to Mrs Dwight D Eisenhower's charm bracelet is a miniature gold bathtub replete with a tiny set of gold wrenches. Gift of women plumbers who held convention here.*

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In celebrating his 70th b'day here Harry S Truman declared: "I don't expect to run for office again until after I'm 90!" . . . Waiting in his car for Mrs Truman, the former President was approached by a man who asked timidly if he were Mr Truman. Reassured, the man went back to where his wife was standing. Soon she also approached and repeated the query. HST said he was indeed Truman. The woman snorted a response: "Yeah, and my husband's Al Smith!"

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#### EDUCATION—11

The new graduate must recognize the importance of continuing his training . . . otherwise he lives off his own intellectual fat.—CHAS N KIMBALL, *Industrial Science and Engineering*.

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Students in a psychology class at San Diego State College, Cal, were asked to name their most valuable asset. Two wrote down *intelligence*, and both misspelled it.—*N Y Jnl-American*.

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Education has now become the chief problem of the world. The nations that see this will survive, and those that fail to do so will slowly perish. — G STANLEY HALL, quoted by WILLARD E GIVENS, "Our Republic and the Teacher," *Ohio Schools*, 5-54.

#### EVIL—12

It has been said that the main vice of many people consists not in doing evil but in permitting it.—ROY M PEARSON, *This Do—and Live* (Abingdon Press).

#### HISTORY—13

History is that state of being in which, the higher the good, the less it imposes itself.—ROMANO GUARDINI, *The Last Things*, translated by CHARLOTTE FORSYTH and GRACE BURNHAM (Pantheon Books).

#### HUMAN RELATIONS—14

Like the famous islanders who lived "by taking in one another's washing," we have to live by hospitably taking in one another's shortcomings. If we do so, paradoxically, there will be fewer of them—and fewer destructive types—for us and our human society to cope with.—HARRY & BONARO OVERSTREET, *The Mind Alive* (Norton).

# Mining the Magazines



*Newsweek*, in a heartening survey of the cancer situation (5-17-'54) rep'ts that 30 out of every 100 cancer patients are being cured. And (according to Dr Ian MacDonald, of Calif, pres of Calif div of American Cancer Society) "good control" is in store for 40 others. Surgery, radiation and chemotherapy, or drugs, are the standard methods of treatment. The 1st 2 are the preferred treatment, but this yr, for the 1st time, greater emphasis is being placed on drug research. Many experts are convinced that in the long pull, cancer will be beaten by a huge armamentarium of chemicals. The significant point is that we now have the resources to prevent more than half of the present cancer deaths if only we could induce victims to go to cancer clinics (or their own physicians) early enough for adequate treatment.

Talk in the trade is that *Time* has yet to select a title for its wkly sports mag, due on the newsstands Aug 13. This seems highly improbable to initiates, who reflect that closing dates are dangerously close at hand. A few scraps of information are, however, available: It will be a sports mag for the whole family, with the word "sports" interpreted in its widest sense. "Everything from mountain climbing to ping pong will be included." One fiction story will be carried each month, we un-

We don't want to rush you unduly, but according to *Ufer* (Germany) via QUOTE translation, Jehovah's Witness mbrs rep't that only 454 seats are still available in heaven.

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derstand, touching in some way upon sports. For further details, see your local newsstand.

*McCall's*, which for 84 yrs has been edited for the woman in the home, is currently breaking with tradition; will henceforth aim its content toward the entire family, and the activities in which they participate as a unit. Perceptive outsiders see in this move an acceptance of the fact that "the woman's field" is getting pretty crowded. Presumably a broader editorial base may have a stronger appeal to advertisers. (Amongst all magazines, *McCall's* now ranks 12th in adv revenue.)

Effective with the July issue, *Esquire* is raising its newsstand price from 50 cts to 60 cts. This, if we mistake not, is the highest price ever pegged for a regularly-issued newsstand periodical. Interesting to watch the reaction.

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### **IDEALS—15**

It is tragic not to live up to ideals; it is suicidal to forget what ideals are.—*NEA Jnl.*

### **IMMORTALITY—16**

Those who hope for no other life are dead even in this.—J W VON GOETHE, *The Golden Book of Immortality* (Ass'n Press).

### **INDUSTRY—17**

Any action which hampers, retards and weakens American industry also hampers, retards and weakens our peace, our progress and our defense. — CRAWFORD H GREENEWALT, *Nation's Business*.

### **LABOR RELATIONS—18**

The worker doesn't think that a strike is as horrendous as does the public, the Gov't or mg't. It's a way to let off steam, to flex collective muscles, to tell off the boss. Loss of possible income, for many employees, is a price they are willing to pay for this emotional and psychological outlet. — LAWRENCE STRESSIN, "Labor Relations," *Forbes*, 5-'54.

### **LIFE—Living—19**

The tragedy of life is not that people die, it is that they never truly live.—Dr LEONARD A STIDLEY, *Christian Advocate*.

### **LIFE—Plan—20**

In life it is possible merely to throw a heap of stones together, but this pile is not beautiful. We pyramid to the heights only when we lay stone on stone according to a plan. If we have no faith in the principles with which we build life, we are defeated.—Dr W N THOMAS, Navy Chaplain, Washington, D C.

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### **MANNERS—21**

A gentleman is a man who is always as nice as he sometimes is.—PHIL MANN, *York Trade Compositor*, hm, York Composition Co.

### **MARRIAGE—22**

Marriage is a profession. We may glamorize it in our teens or call it drudgery in our forties, but it remains a profession. It is one of the most satisfying in the world, but it has to be worked at regularly and devotedly to keep it in good shape. Its spiritual rewards are more important than its material rewards, altho it is good to have both. — HENRIETTA BUCKMASTER, "The A B C's of Marriage," *Everywoman's*, 5-'54.

### **MATURITY—23**

We begin to understand that maturity means meeting problems as best you can, not yielding to them, but not blowing your top when *they* fail to yield.—ERIC SEVAREID, *In One Ear* (Knopf).

### **MEDITATION—24**

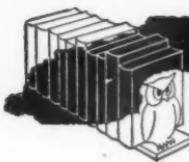
It is known to many that we need solitude to find ourselves. Perhaps it is not so well known that we need solitude to find our fellows. — HAVELOCK ELLIS, *Science Digest*.

### **OBSTACLES—Overcoming—25**

Great people are not affected by each puff of wind that blows ill. Like great ships, they sail serenely on, in a calm sea or a great tempest.—*Megiddo Message*.

### **OPPORTUNITY—26**

Opportunity is never so clearly recognized as when it has been put to work in a competitor's business. — *Old American News*, hm, Old American Roofing Mills.



## Book Briefs

As you may know, Columbia Univ Press, celebrating the bicentennial of the founding of the university, in 1754, launched an informal contest amongst literary folk "to determine what persons living today would, in the opinion of our readers, be remembered in 2154." This turned out to be a fantastically difficult assignment. Recalling that 2 of the most widely read authors (in widely varying fields) a scant 50 yrs ago were Rob't W Chambers and Harold Bell Wright, both almost completely forgotten today, we must confess that our ballot remained blank. Returns have now been tallied, and the guesses were probably as shrewd as could be expected. Hemingway turned out to be the novelist assumed most likely to survive. The poet elected to immortality was T S Eliot (tho we certainly would have cast a vote for Rob't Frost). Christopher Fry was the anointed dramatist, Toynbee the historian. A rather strong showing for the British. Eliot (born in St Louis) has spent most of his adult life in England. Hemingway, a native of Oak Park, Ill, likes to think of himself as a citizen of the world.

Some wks ago we told you that Bishop G Bromley Oxnam, of the Methodist Church, purposed to write an acc't of his experiences with the House Committee on Un-American Activities. The little book (*I Protest*) is now fresh from the

I have the feeling that more and more books are being sold about escaping from prison with a toothpick, or walking up the Amazon on stilts. This is all very well, but the greatest prison to escape from is the prison of the ego, and the most dangerous journey is the journey of our day-to-day living. If one can describe these things with force, with passion, with style, with wit, one will create literature. — J B PRIESTLEY, *British novelist and dramatist.*

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Harper presses. "I protest," sums the churchman, "against procedures that are in effect the rule of men and not the rule of law; procedures subject to the prejudices, passions and political ambitions of committeemen; procedures designed less to elicit information than to entrap; procedures that cease to be investigation and become inquisition and intimidation."

*Dept of Remarkable Coincidence:* Side by side on a display table in Marshall Field's book dep't in Chicago last wk were copies of *Add Life to Your Years*, by Dr Ernest Boas (McBride) and *Add Years to Your Life*, by Dr Peter J Steinrohn (Funk).

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### Flag Day

On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress adopted a resolution establishing the flag of the U S as 13 stripes of alternate red and white, with a union of 13 stars of white on a blue field.

This yr marks the 65th anniv of our celebration of Flag Day (June 14) but the holiday was not widely observed, aside from school exercises, until Pres Woodrow Wilson, in 1917, took the occasion to justify the declaration of war against Germany, made on Apr 6. In his introduction to an eloquent address, he said:

We meet to celebrate Flag Day because this flag which we honor, and under which we serve is the emblem of our unity, our power, our thought and purpose as a nation. It has no other character than that which we give it from generation to generation. The choice is ours. It floats in majestic silence above the hosts that execute those choices whether in peace or war. And yet, the silent, it speaks to us—speaks to us of the past, of the men and women who went before us and of the records they wrote upon it. We celebrate the day of its birth, and from its birth until now it has witnessed a great history, has floated on high, the symbol of great events, of a great plan of life, worked out by a great people.

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### PRAYER—27

We don't get what we want every time we pick up the spiritual telephone (in prayer), any more than we get what we want every time we pick up the phone in our office. But if we telephone J B and he says he won't sign the contract we don't hurl our office phone out the window. No more should we throw out our spiritual telephone just because we don't get what we want—or think we want.—HOWARD WHITMAN, *A Reporter in Search of God* (Doubleday).

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Prayer is not overcoming God's reluctance. It is taking hold of God's willingness. . . Prayer does not change God, but it does change us.—NORMA SHARER, 13-yr-old quoted by HOWARD WHITMAN, *A Reporter in Search of God* (Doubleday).

### PREACHERS—Preaching—28

The least satisfying sermon is the one which develops a problem for 20 min's and then tries to present a solution in 3 min's.—NELSON WAITE RIGHMYER, *Pulpit Digest*.

### PREJUDICE—29

The word *prejudice* originally was neutral. It meant judgment formed before hand, which might be favorable or unfavorable. Yet so predominantly do men form harsh judgments before knowledge, that *prejudice* came to mean *injurious*.—MARSHALL WINGFIELD.

### PROBLEMS—Solution—30

There is many a man who, when he has invented a phrase, thinks he has solved a problem. — Sir HERBERT WILLIAMS, mbr, British Parliament.

# Pathways to the Past



Week of  
June 13-19

## Nat'l Flag Wk

**June 13—Feast of St Anthony of Padua. . . Children's Sunday.**

**June 14—Flag Day** (marks adoption of our flag by Continental Congress, 1777). . . 1st practical suit for submarine diving pat'd 120 yrs ago (1834) by Leonard Norcross, Deerfield, Me. . . On the same day, Isaac Fischer, Springfield, Vt, took out a patent for sand paper. . . This is the 35th anniv (1919) of 1st non-stop airplane flight across the Atlantic. It was made by Capt John Alcock, of Great Britain and Lt Arthur Whitten-Bowen, of U S. They flew a Vickers bomber from Newfoundland to Ireland—16 hrs and 12 min's. Eight yrs later Lindberg made the 1st solo flight from U S to Europe.

**June 15 — Magna Charta Day** (marks signing of the Great Charter by King John, of England, 1215). . . 110 yrs ago Chas Good-year, of New Haven, Conn, rec'd 1st patent for vulcanizing rubber. (Discovered the process when he accidentally dropped a mixture of India rubber and sulphur on a hot stove). . . Celluloid pat'd 85 yrs ago (1869) by J W & L S Hyatt, Albany, N Y.

**June 16**—One of the indirect aids to American independence was Spain's declaration of war against Great Britain 175 yrs ago today (1779). This step was taken on the promise of France to help recover

Gibraltar and Florida. Spain made no alliance with U S, but her action further burdened Britain's already strained resources. . . 70 yrs ago today (1884) the "mugwumps", conferring in N Y, became a significant force in American politics. They represented an independent faction of Republicans unwilling to support nomination of Jas G Blaine for President. The "mugwumps" threw their support to Grover Cleveland, Democratic nominee, who defeated Blaine in the election. (Term was applied derisively by Chas A Dana, of N Y Sun, to characterize Carl Schurz, leader of the insurgents; Indian for "great captain.") . . . 45 yrs ago today Glenn H Curtiss delivered the *Gold Bug*, a light plane, to N Y Aeronautical Society, Hammondsport, N Y—1st airplane sold commercially. Price: \$5,000.

**June 17**—60 yrs ago today (1894) Rutland, Vt, announced 1st epidemic of a strange malady—poliomyelitis, now commonly known as "polio."

**June 19 — Expectant Father's Day.** . . . Chas Haddon Spurgeon, English Baptist minister, b 120 yrs ago (1834). QUOTE stands debted to this divine for its masthead: "He who never quotes is never quoted." . . . The melodeon was pat'd by C Austin, Concord, N H, 105 yrs ago (1849).

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*"Of all things!"*

You have doubtless seen the ads sponsored by Rob't R Young, attacking the present N Y Central Railroad mg't, as well as responses by Wm White, pres of the Central, and others in the mg't group. It's all part of what is perhaps the most spectacular proxy battle in American history.

What about the cost of this elaborate fanfare? At the moment there isn't too much factual evidence. Mr Young, who started the fight with paid-space attacks on Central mg't, is currently suing the railroad (in his capacity as a Central stockholder) to bar directors from spending company funds to "perpetuate themselves in office." In a pre-trial examination Mr White testified that, up to May 1, about \$350,000 had been spent in defensive promotion. Mr Young's office asserts that he has spent "less than a third" of this estimated sum.

It should be pointed out that at the time these statements were made neither side had fired its heaviest guns. The real barrage is expected as the annual stockholders' meeting date approaches. It is freely surmised by those in a position to judge that the direct and indirect promotion expenditures of both sides will easily total more than a million dollars.

The meeting date is set for May 26, but Harold Vanderbilt, chmn of the N Y Central exec comm, has filed for a postponement.

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#### **RELIGION—vs Communism—31**

A special poll of Protestant clergymen was taken in Sept, '50, asking the question: "Do you think a man can be a good Christian and at the same time be a mbr of the Communist Party?" 9% voted yes. If that American Institute of Public Opinion poll reveals the facts, over 20,000 clergymen believe that a good Christian could, at the same time, be a mbr of the Communist Party. — *Christian Economics*.

#### **RESEARCH—32**

More money has been spent on industrial research since 1946 than in the entire previous history of the U S.—**SUMNER SLICHTER**, economist, addressing American Mgt Ass'n.

#### **SECURITY—33**

The worship of security, which eliminates risk and venture from living, is a 1st-class calamity. . . Many people never have any unadulterated pleasure in anything, because it may rain tomorrow. Their motto is always, "Save for a rainy day." That is the surest way to make every day a drizzle.—**SIMEON STYLITES**, *Christian Century*.

#### **SPEECH—Speaking—34**

In the whole history of law and order the longest step forward was taken by primitive man when, as if by common consent, the tribe sat down in a circle and allowed only one man to speak at a time.—**Judge CURTIS BOK**, *Saturday Review*.

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You ain't learnin' nothin' when you're talkin'. — **Sid RICHARDSON**, wealthy Texas oil man.

### TIME—and—SPACE—35

The rocket carries in its zooming path the hopes of all men of good will. By leaving this planet, man may become worthy of his dominion over it, and attain dominion over himself. — ANTHONY BOUCHER, *Science Digest*.

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My own suspicion is that the universe is not only queerer than we suppose, but queerer than we can suppose.—J B S HALDANE, *Science Digest*.

### VIEWPOINT—36

It is natural that our habits that seem bad to others seem good to us. A woman who was a chain-smoker of cigarettes blew the smoke into the face of a man sitting with her on a sightseeing bus. He was a tobacco-chewer and spit out the window. She blurted out, "Chewing tobacco is a filthy habit." He repl'd mildly, "Well, ma'am, it hain't never started any forest fires." — *Nashua Cavalier*, Nashua Corp'n.

### VISION—37

Never reproach the scholar too harshly for his other-worldliness and the indifference to important problems of human society. Without such a one-sided attitude, Heinrich Hertz could never have discovered radio waves, or Rob't Koch the tubercle bacillus. — MAX PLANCK, *Science Digest*.

### WORK—38

Your work is really important. Even the smallest job has such a definite place it might be likened to a piece in a jigsaw puzzle; the puzzle would not be complete without it.—FRANCIS J GABLE, *Good Business*.

## In Brief

Maybe you don't have a receipt to show it, but since War II you have bought your family \$267 worth of atomic research. That's the average for America's 46 million households, according to the latest calculations.

Why did NBC stop carrying the Army-McCarthy hearings on tv? Chiefly a matter of money. Cost them \$125,000 for 1st 2 days—largely in rebates to sponsors of daytime shows. ABC is spending \$10,000 a day to bring live coverage to 70 cities, with local stations rebating or placating displaced advertisers.

Gillette plans to give away a million bow ties, with purchase of \$1 razor-and-blade combination; it's a Father's Day promotion. . . Ringling Circus has done so well in recent yrs at Madison Sq Garden in N Y C, there are deals pending to put the show into Chicago Stadium, St Louis Arena and Detroit Olympia.

Just as the makers of cans (and can-openers) were beginning to see a rosy future in the trend toward canned soft beverages, along come the paper people with eager eyes and ideas. A revolutionary type of paper container is in the works for soda pop.

Small Indiana college announced on its bulletin bd a new course in Accounting for Women. An anonymous and philosophically disposed wag added: "Ah, but there's no accounting for women!"

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# Good Stories

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A Montreal jurist, despite increasing yrs and honors, has managed to avoid any touch of judicial pomposity—in fact, he still enjoys telling about his 1st case in which, yrs ago, he defended a man charged with burglary. The charge against the accused collapsed when the young lawyer succeeded in convincing the magistrate that a shabby hat discovered on the rifled premises did not belong to his client, but the man just sat there in the dock as if he didn't comprehend his good fortune. "Not guilty," repeated the magistrate, and leaning forward said kindly, "You may go now."

Stumbling to his ft, the man bobbed his head apologetically and asked, "But can I have my hat, your honor—it's the only one I've got."—*Maclean's*. a

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An office cleaner had just become heir to a fortune of \$50,000. The staff gathered around her in excitement.

"What are you going to do? Are you going to give up your job? Are you going to get lots of new clothes? Buy a car?" and so on came the questions all at once.

The woman looked at them sternly. "Of course I'm not giving up my job," she said. "I wouldn't know what to do with myself if I hadn't got it. But I'm warning you all now—heaven help them as gets in the way of me mop!"—*Spotlight* (S Africa). b

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## I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

Sister MARY GILBERT

When the proud father's 1st child arrived, he promptly wired his brother and sister, both Religious. Sister Rita, of the Holy Names, got the message over the telephone. . .

"I hope you know what this means," the operator told the nun. "It says: 'Holy...Names...will have to wait...The J-E-S-U-I-T-S have this one.'"—*Catholic Digest*.

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Her husband being slightly indisposed, a young and inexperienced wife attempted to take his temperature. In a state of great excitement, she called the doctor: "Doctor, please come at once. My husband's temperature is 136 degrees!" she exclaimed.

The doctor repl'd, "Madam, the case is beyond my skill. Send for the fire engine."—*Link*. e

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Famous rodeo performer from Wyoming visiting a Texas ranch was invited to test one of the local broncos. He hadn't been on the horse a full second before he found himself flying thru the air. "Man," he panted, "these Texas horses sure can buck."

"He didn't buck," commented a local cow hand. "That cayuse was merely hiccupping." — *Assembler*, hm, Automotive Body Division, Chrysler Corp'n. d



Rep Sidney Yates (D-Ill) told the House that letters he gets from back home wanting to know when the cold war will end remind him of the chauffeur of Marshal Ferdinand Foch, commander of allied forces in War I.

The chauffeur, Pierre, was popular with newsmen who hoped to get some inside dope. They continually asked him when the war would be over. He would never say, but one day they caught him leaving Foch's headquarters. "The Marshal spoke today," Pierre advised the reporters. "What did he say?" they demanded eagerly.

Pierre paused dramatically and replied: "He said, 'Pierre, when do you think the war will end?'" — QUOTE Washington Bureau. e

A youngster who lost a baby tooth, tucked it under his pillow overnight like grandma told him to, and happily collected a dime from the fairies. Then the little hustler snatched grandma's lower plate in a sharp play for the jackpot.—*Maclean's*. f

A boy who usually earned extra money mowing lawns was slow about leaving his house one Saturday morning, and his father asked him why. "Oh," he ans'd, "I'm waiting till they get started. I get most of my work from people who are already half way thru."—*Birmingham News Mag.* g

Memorial Day weekend will be celebrated as usual by patriotic societies and speeding motorists. Old graves will be decorated; new ones dug.—*Changing Times*.

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*All men are born equal. The rest of their life is spent desperately trying to outgrow it.*—*Nuggets, hm, Barnes-Ross Co.*

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*A gentleman farmer is a guy who will lift his hat to any tomato.*—*ARTHUR MAISEL, quoted in Industrial Press Service.*

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*Modern definition of a lowbrow: A man who moves his lips while reading comic books.*—*Seng Fellowship News, hm, Seng Co.*

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*It's bad to act like a fool, but it's worse when you're not acting.*—*Atlas News, hm, Atlas Auto Finance Co.*

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*The woman's work that's never done is most likely what she asked her husband to do.*—*Tit-Bits, London.*

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*Diplomat: one who thinks twice before saying nothing.* — *Pipe Dreams, hm, Universal Concrete Pipe Co.*

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*If you must cry over spilled milk, condense it.*—*Life Today.*

..... *Quote* .....

He strutted into the bar and ordered drinks for everybody. When asked why he was celebrating, he explained, "The wife just gave birth to a baby. I'm a daddy! Come on, everybody, drink!"

"What are you bragging about?" said one of the bar's habitues. "It was a cinch for you. Your wife went thru all the suffering. What are you so proud of?"

The new papa straightened haughtily: "Well, I gave her the idea, didn't I?"—*American Eagle*. **h**

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During a discussion in social-studies class of the various kinds of work that fathers do, the children were listing the many things that families can buy with the money father earns. They named houses, food and clothes, but made no mention of automobiles.

Thinking to give them a clue, I asked, "And what sits outside the house?"

Billy, with a flash of inspiration, cried, "The garbage can!"—*LORNA MEIVES, NEA Jnl.* **i**

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Famous violinist Jascha Heifetz tells an amusing story of an occasion when, at a party one night, his host introduced him to a professional boxer.

Remarkable the violinist: "I see we are both in the same business. Both of us earn our living with our hands."

The boxer looked at the violinist's hands and face with admiration.

"Gosh," he exclaimed, "you must be pretty good. There's not a mark on you!"—*Tit-Bits, London.* **j**

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"I want to congratulate you on your new perfume," the bus driver told the salesgirl. "I think it is marvelous."

"You like it, huh?" said the clerk.

"Never saw anything like it," he assured her. "I put it on and the public moves to the back of the bus without urging!" — *School Belle.* **k**

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#### Horrorculture

As sure as daylight follows dark

Seeds grow into flowers.

"Tis a law of Nature—

On every plot but ours.

—*Voice Writing*, Edison of Canada.

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We tend and fertilize the grass  
And never stop to think, alas,  
The seed we plant will sprout  
and grow

And make that much more  
lawn to mow!

—*Seng Fellowship News*, hm,  
Seng Co. **l**

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The club doorman tripped as he rushed out to open a car door, and fell headlong. "George, do be careful!" cried the agonized club mgr. "They might think you're one of the members."—*Voice Writing*, Edison of Canada. **m**

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"Tell me," said the judge, "do you want a jury trial, or to be tried by this court?"

"Well, if you're trying to please me," retorted the prisoner, "I want to be discharged."—*Renrose Coed.* **n**

President Coty, of France, is in great demand as an after-dinner speaker because of his sharp wit.

At a banquet a lovely English-woman who was his neighbor said: "Tell me, Mr Pres, are Parisiennes really more charming than any other women?"

Said Coty without hesitation: "They are, indeed, madam. Why? Because a Parisienne has the beauty of a rosebud when she's twenty, the bewitching quality of a love song when she's thirty, and is quite perfect at forty."

"And after forty?" the English-woman asked.

"Madam," repl'd the Pres, "a true Parisienne is never more than forty, whatever her age!" — *Tit-Bits*, London.

Favorite tale of the British colony in Washington on Queen Elizabeth's recent tour concerns the time she was to address a gathering of deaf mutes. As she faced the group, the Queen stood silently for a few moments, seeking an appropriate approach.

In the interval, her husband, Philip, spoke quietly to her: "Come, come, my little cabbage, don't look so gloomy."

The audience broke into applause—they had read his lips.—*Quote Washington Bureau.* p

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A colored boy was asked to clean out the barn—a job he detested. He immediately became very busy feeding the hogs. Again the farmer told him: "Clean out the barn." The boy still found other chores to do. Finally the exasperated farmer demanded, "Joe, do you refuse to clean the barn?" And Joe repl'd, "Nah, suh. Ah don' refuse, ah jus' refrains."—*DON M MATTOCKS, Toastmaster.* q

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It looked as tho both the hero and the heroine of the Western movie were doomed. They were surrounded completely by angry redmen. One of the little boys in the front row sniffed, "If he had kept his eye on the Indians instead of the girl, this never would have happened."—*Dixie Roto Mag.* r

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Cannibal chief to son: "How often have I told you not to talk with someone in your mouth?"—*Philnews*, hm, Phillips Petroleum Corp'n. s

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# Quote-ettes

Mrs KARL E MUNDT, wife of acting chmn, Senate investigating sub-comm, during Army-McCarthy hearings: "We are receiving threats and abuse night and day. Sometimes things get so hectic I have to talk on 2 phones at once."

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Mrs FAY BADAL, Chicago waitress, voted "Miss Good Morning of '54" by Nat'l Restaurant Ass'n: "We find more male gourches than women—but maybe that's because we serve more men!" 2-Q-t

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The birch canoe has been replaced by the glass canoe. *Wanda Boat Co*, Farmington, Mich, claims that its newest canoe requires no yearly maintenance, and will stand up for 5 yrs without color fading. The ribs are glass fiber and plastic, the covering is a solid sheet of fiber glass.

"Float-a-Key" will prevent boat owner losing his keys, if they are attached to stainless steel, anti-rust and anti-corrosion chain: they will float and brightly colored red and white plastic body of holder makes keys easily identified and retrieved. (*W H Watt Advertising Agency, Radnor Rd and Chew Lane, Radnor, Pa.*)

Fly holder for fisherman is a vinyl plastic cup-like device with magnets in its bottom. Pinned to fisherman's jacket or shirt, the device airs wet flies for fast drying and permits easy selection of the desired fly. A guard around the small device catches flies that may slip from the magnetic grip. (*Science News Letter, 1719 N St, N W, Washington 6, D C.*)

Trolling tackle helps deep sea sportsman fish at desired depth. Attached to line, acetate plastic device is adjusted to draw bait down by easy-to-set weight. Tube-like device has 2 small fins to keep line from twisting. (*Science News Letter, 1719 N St, N W, Washington 6, D C.*)

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